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current route conditions, adequacy of equipment and clothing, and qualifying experience necessary for the route contemplated.

(c) *Backcountry Camping*—(1) *Backcountry camping permits required.* No person or group of persons traveling together may camp in the backcountry without a valid backcountry camping permit. Permits may be issued to each permittee or to the leader of the group for a group of persons. The permit must be attached to the pack or camping equipment of each permittee in a clearly visible location. No person may camp in any location other than that designated in the permit for a given date.

(2) *Group size limitations.* Groups exceeding five persons must camp at a group site, but groups may not exceed twelve persons. The Superintendent may, however,

(i) Waive group size limitations on routes in the climbing zone when he determines that it will not result in environmental degradation; and

(ii) Establish special zones and group size limitations during the winter season to balance the impact of cross-country skiers, snowshoers, and snowmobilers on the resource.

(d) *Snowmobile use*—(1) *Designated routes.* (i) That portion of the West Side Road south of Round Pass.

(ii) The Mather Memorial Parkway (State Route 410) from its intersection with the White River Road north to the park boundary.

(iii) The White River Road from its intersection with the Mather Memorial Parkway to the White River Campground.

(iv) The Cougar Rock Campground road system.

(v) The Stevens Canyon Road from Stevens Canyon Entrance to the Stevens Canyon Road tunnel at Box Canyon.

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## §7.6 Muir Woods National Monument.

(a) *Fires.* Fires are prohibited within the monument.

(b) [Reserved]

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(c) *Fishing.* Fishing is prohibited within the Monument.

[24 FR 11035, Dec. 30, 1959, as amended at 34 FR 5255, Mar. 14, 1969; 39 FR 14338, Apr. 23, 1974]

## §7.7 Rocky Mountain National Park.

(a) *Fishing.* (1) Fishing restrictions, based on management objectives described in the park's Resources Management Plan, are established annually by the Superintendent.

(2) The Superintendent may impose closures and establish conditions or restrictions, in accordance with the criteria and procedures of §§1.5 and 1.7 of this chapter, on any activity pertaining to fishing, including, but not limited to species of fish that may be taken, seasons and hours during which fishing may take place, methods of taking, size, creel, and possession limits.

(3) Fishing in closed waters or violating a condition or restriction established by the Superintendent is prohibited.

(b) *Trucking Permits.* (1) The Superintendent may issue a permit for trucking on a park road when the load carried originates and terminates within the counties of Larimer, Boulder, or Grand, Colorado.

(2) The fee charged for such trucking over Trail Ridge Road is the same as the single visit entrance fee for a private passenger vehicle. A trucking permit is valid for one round trip, provided such trip is made in one day, otherwise the permit is valid for a one-way trip only.

(3) The fees provided in this paragraph also apply to a special emergency trucking permit issued pursuant to §5.6(b) of this chapter.

(c) *Boats.* (1) The operation of motorboats is prohibited on all waters of the park.

(2) All vessels are prohibited on Bear Lake.

(d) *Dogs, cats, and other pets.* In addition to the provisions of §2.15 of this chapter, dogs, cats, and other pets on leash, crated, or otherwise under physical restraint are permitted in the park only within 100 feet of the edge of established roads or parking areas, and are permitted within established campgrounds and picnic areas; dogs, cats,

and other pets are prohibited in the backcountry and on established trails.

(e) *Snowmobiles*. (1) Designated routes open to snowmobile use: The Summerland Park Snowmobile Trail, the Supply Creek Access Snowmobile Trail, the plowed portion of the Trail Ridge Road between the West Unit Visitor Center and the Timber Lake Trailhead, the unplowed portion and the Trail Ridge Road between the Timber Lake Trailhead and Milner Pass, and the Bowen Gulch Access Trail. These routes will be marked by signs, snow poles or other appropriate means.

(2) Detailed descriptions of designated routes and appropriate maps are available at Park Headquarters, the West Unit Office and the Grand Lake Entrance Station.

(3) The maximum speed limit is 35 m.p.h. unless changed by the posting of appropriate signs. On routes open to dual use of both motor vehicles and snowmobiles, the maximum snowmobile speed limit is 25 m.p.h. All posted speed limits are subject to further limitation as required under § 4.22 of this chapter. No person shall operate a snowmobile at a speed in excess of the maximum limits so posted.

(4) On roads designated for snowmobile use, only that portion of the road or parking area intended for other motor vehicle use may be used by snowmobiles. Such roadway is available for snowmobile use only when the designated road or parking area is closed to all other motor vehicle use by the public except on the dual use routes described in paragraph (f)(5).

(5) Routes open to dual use of both motor vehicles and snowmobiles: that portion of the Supply Creek Access Snowmobile Trail which extends along the plowed Trail Ridge Road from the Grand Lake Lodge Road junction to the Sun Valley Road junction, then along the plowed Sun Valley Road to the park boundary where it intersects with a plowed Grand County road; that portion of the plowed Trail Ridge Road between the West Unit Visitor Center and the Timber Lake Trailhead. On such dual use routes, the operation of snowmobiles is permitted only along the far right portion of the plowed roadway and in single-file manner. Dual use routes will be marked with

appropriate signs and snow poles. The maximum snowmobile speed limit on such dual use routes is 25 m.p.h.

(6) The Superintendent shall determine the opening and closing dates for use of designated snowmobile routes each year, taking into consideration the location of wintering wildlife, road plowing schedules and other factors that may relate to public safety. The Superintendent shall notify the public of such dates through normal news media channels. Temporary closure of dual-use routes for public safety reasons will be initiated through the posting of appropriate signs and/or barriers when road plowing operations are taking place. Routes will be open to snowmobile travel when they are considered to be safe for travel but not necessarily free of safety hazards. Snowmobilers may travel these routes with the permission of the Superintendent, but at their own risk.

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#### § 7.8 Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks.

(a) *Dogs and cats*. Dogs and cats are prohibited on any park land or trail except within one-fourth mile of developed areas which are accessible by a designated public automobile road.

(b) *Fishing*. (1) Fishing restrictions, based on management objectives described in the parks' Resources Management Plan, are established annually by the Superintendent.

(2) The Superintendent may impose closures and establish conditions or restrictions, in accordance with the criteria and procedures of §§ 1.5 and 1.7 of this chapter, on any activity pertaining to fishing including, but not limited to, species of fish that may be taken, seasons and hours during which fishing may take place, methods of taking, size, location and elevation, and possession limits.

(3) Soda Springs Creek drainage is closed to fishing.